

Mr. David Ullrich
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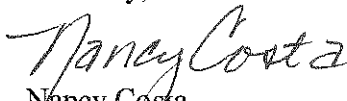
Mr. Ullrich:

Enclosed please find the end product of a nearly five-year process: signed, approved and adopted into ordinance by the Reservation Business Committee are the tribal Water Quality Standards for the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa. In addition to the signed standards document and formal resolution, I have included a responsiveness summary to comments received during the public participation process, and a letter of certification from the tribal secretary/treasurer verifying that the tribe indeed has the authority to promulgate such standards.

I believe that all that remains for Fond du Lac to assume full authority to implement the standards, is to have the EPA forward the document to US Fish & Wildlife Service for comments, assuring that no violations of the Endangered Species Act will result, and then give final approval. The Fond du Lac Environmental Program anxiously awaits the finalization of our tribal Water Quality Standards.

Please call if you have any questions about the document, or contact David Pfeifer in your Water Division, as he is very familiar with the process we have been through. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Costa".

Nancy Costa
Fond du Lac Environmental Scientist